

I am writing to request that you

begin a systematic review of communication tower and bird mortality issues;

institute a research program, funded by the communications industry, to identify tower placement, design and lighting conditions that result in bird mortality;

undertake environmental reviews of all existing towers to assess their placement and design with regard to migratory bird impacts;

require that all proposed towers be subjected to rigorous environmental reviews; and

implement immediate protections based on existing knowledge, such as the voluntary tower siting and placement guidelines developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.